



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5725

LCO No. 4681



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE-WIDE PHOSPHOROUS
REDUCTION PLAN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 22a-428a of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or the
4 commissioner's designee and the chief elected officials of the cities of
5 Danbury, Meriden and Waterbury and the towns of Cheshire,
6 Southington and Wallingford, and the chief elected official of any other
7 municipality impacted by the state-wide strategy to reduce
8 phosphorus, or such chief elected officials' designees, shall
9 collaboratively evaluate and make recommendations regarding a state-
10 wide strategy to reduce phosphorus loading in inland nontidal waters
11 in order to comply with standards established by the United States
12 Environmental Protection Agency. Such evaluation and
13 recommendations shall include (1) a state-wide response to address
14 phosphorus nonpoint source pollution, (2) approaches for
15 municipalities to use in order to comply with standards established by
16 the United States Environmental Protection Agency for phosphorus,

17 including guidance for treatment and potential plant upgrades, and (3)
18 the proper scientific methods by which to measure current phosphorus
19 levels in inland nontidal waters and to make future projections of
20 phosphorus levels in such waters. The commissioner shall submit a
21 report on or before January 1, 2014, in accordance with the provisions
22 of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General
23 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to municipalities and
24 the environment. Such report shall set forth the recommendations
25 required pursuant to subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) of this section and
26 detail the collaborative effort through which such recommendations
27 were reached.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	22a-428a
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PD *Joint Favorable*